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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action mailed August 8, 2000, be extended for three months to and including February 8, 2001.

Enclosed is a check for \$890.00 for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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